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1. It is reported that the Russians are maintaining the following concentration camps in Eastern Germany:

Altenbach, near Leipzig
Alt Landsberg
Fünf Richten, near Neu Brandenburg
Gerde, near Brandenburg
Oranienburg
Peenemünde
Pirna, near Dresden
Sachsenhausen

2. The newly-established concentration camp at Altenbach covers an area of 450 hectares and is surrounded by a clearing eighty meters wide. German guard personnel include 600 policemen, a force that may be supplemented in an emergency by 150 trainees from the Altenbach Police School. Among the inmates of the concentration camp are a number of men from the former Vlassov White Russian Army.
3. The camp at Oranienburg, which has been estimated to contain as many as 140,000 prisoners, is divided into three enclosures. One of them, known as "Barrack 53", contains five hundred non-Germans: principally Russians, Yugoslavs, Poles, and Frenchmen.

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